

## CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 5 1. A retractable vehicle cover, for attaching to a vehicle having an upper surface, a roof, a front end, and a rear end, comprising:

10 a housing having a first side, a second side, a forward facing surface, a rearward facing surface, and a lower surface, the forward facing surface and rear ward facing surface each have a substantially rectangular slotted opening;

15 a plurality of suction cups, for securing the housing to the roof of the vehicle;

20 a pair of flexible sheets, for covering the vehicle by extending over the upper surface of the vehicle, one of the flexible sheets selectively extending forwardly from the slotted opening of the forward facing surface for extending to the front end of the vehicle, the other of the flexible sheets selectively extending rearwardly from the slotted opening of the rearward facing surface for extending to the rear end of the vehicle, both flexible sheets selectively retracting into the housing;

a pair of shaft mounting brackets attached to the lower surface of the housing; and

a pair of telescoping adjustable shafts, each supported  
5 by one of the shaft mounting brackets and each having a plurality of tubular segments which may be selectively horizontally extended longitudinally beneath the sheets for supporting the sheets at a position which is substantially elevated with respect to the upper surface of the vehicle.

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2. The retractable vehicle cover as recited in claim 1, wherein each flexible sheet has a leading edge, and further comprises an elasticized cord having a first end and a second end, the first end attached to the leading edge, and the  
15 second end has a hook for engaging the vehicle.

3. The retractable vehicle cover as recited in claim 2, further comprising a pair of reel assemblies, each flexible sheet wound upon one of the reel assemblies.

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4. A retractable vehicle cover, for attaching to a vehicle having an upper surface, a roof, a front end, and a rear end, comprising:

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a housing having a first side, a second side, a forward facing surface, a rearward facing surface, and a lower surface, the forward facing surface and rear ward facing

surface each have a substantially rectangular slotted opening;

5 a plurality of suction cups, for securing the housing to the roof of the vehicle;

10 a pair of reel assemblies, each reel assembly having a reel and a flexible sheet wound upon the reel, for covering the vehicle by extending the flexible sheet over the upper surface of the vehicle, one of the flexible sheets selectively extending forwardly from the slotted opening of the forward facing surface for extending to the front end of the vehicle, the other of the flexible sheets selectively extending rearwardly from the slotted opening of the rearward facing surface for extending to the rear end of the vehicle, both flexible sheets selectively retracting into the housing and winding upon the reel.

20 5. The vehicle cover as recited in claim 4, further comprising:

a pair of shaft mounting brackets attached to the lower surface of the housing; and

25 a pair of telescoping adjustable shafts, each supported by one of the shaft mounting brackets and each having a plurality of tubular segments which may be selectively

horizontally extended longitudinally beneath the sheets for supporting the sheets at a position which is substantially elevated with respect to the upper surface of the vehicle.

- 5 6. The retractable vehicle cover as recited in claim 1, wherein each flexible sheet has a leading edge, and further comprises an elasticized cord having a first end and a second end, the first end attached to the leading edge, and the second end has a hook for engaging the vehicle.

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